

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Dote for indicating allowability of Claims 1, 3, 8-20, 22-25 and 27 and for rejoining Claim 26 and 28. Applicants wish to thank Examiner Dote for indicating allowability of Claims 21 and 28 if rewritten to overcome the rejections as being indefinite.

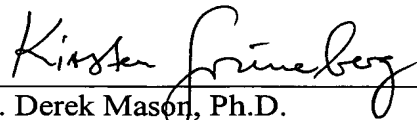
The rejection of Claims 21 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is obviated by the amendment of Claims 21 and 28.

Applicants have responded on May 12, 2006 to the objections regarding the List of Related Cases.

This application presents allowable subject matter, and the Examiner is kindly requested to pass it to issue. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the claims or otherwise wish to discuss this case, he is kindly invited to contact Applicants' below-signed representative, who would be happy to provide any assistance deemed necessary in speeding this application to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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